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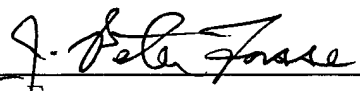
Applicants submit that all of the claims are now in condition for examination and allowance, which actions are requested.

The claim amendments are supported by the application as filed, and thus do not introduce new matter. In particular, the new claims recite polypeptide sequences without the 19 amino acid long signal sequences. Such polypeptides are described in the application at page 12, lines 13 to 19. The nucleic acids in claim 43 also remove the 57 nucleotides encoding the signal sequence.

Included herewith is a check to cover the fees for new claims added in this amendment. No other fees are believed due. However, please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 12660-002001.

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